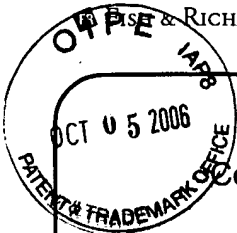


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**Request
For
Continued Examination (RCE)
Transmittal**

Application Number	10/766,421
Filing Date	January 27, 2004
First Named Inventor	Masatake Kudoh et al.
Group Art Unit	1632
Examiner Name	Yong D. Pak
Attorney Docket Number	14879-090002

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

- Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s)

 - ☒ Previously submitted on August 3, 2006. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendment filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - ☐ Other _____
 - ☐ Enclosed
 - ☐ Amendment/Reply
 - ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - ☐ Other _____
- Miscellaneous**

 - ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
 - ☐ Other _____
- Fee** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

 - ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050
 - ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 10/10/2006 HDEMESS1 00000033 10766421
 - ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 790.00 OP
 - ☒ Other Any deficiencies
 - ☒ Checks in the amount of \$ 790.00 and \$ 450.00 enclosed
 - ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Diana Collazo	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	46,635
Signature	<i>Diana Collazo</i>	Date	October 5, 2006

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